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(Our Case No. 03-214-A)

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) Examiner: TBA
 Serial No.: 10/789,831)
) Group Art Unit: TBA
 Filed: February 27, 2004)
) Confirmation No.: TBA
 For: Label-Free Gene Expression Profiling With)
 Universal Nanoparticle Probes in Microarray)
 Assay Format)

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In regard to the above identified application.

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 - b) U.S. PTO 1449 Form with copies of 29 references; and
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1. Merrill, et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,830,986, issued November 3, 1998.
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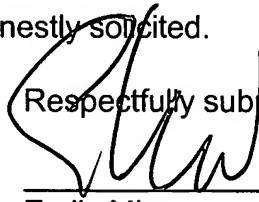
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Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

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